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PUNDT, et al.

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METHOD OF DETERMINING THE ADHESION PROPERTIES OF

MATERIALS

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the Office Action having a mailing date of January 8, 2007. The three month shortened statutory period to respond to the Office Action was set to expire April 8, 2007. Thus, a petition for a three-month extension of time is included with this paper.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow this application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in a listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page $\underline{10}$ of this paper.